

DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

AND

ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981

NOTICE is hereby given that local Public Inquiries in connection with the Orders mentioned below will be held by an Inspector appointed for this purpose by the Secretary of State for Transport **beginning at 10.00am on Tuesday 11 July 2023 at The Grand Pier, Marine Parade, Weston-super-Mare, North Somerset BS23 1AL** to hear representations from remaining objectors (as defined in the Compulsory Purchase (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2007) and statutory objectors (as defined in the Highways (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1994), or from any other persons having an interest in the land the subject of the Compulsory Purchase Order and, at the Inspector's discretion, to hear representations from any other persons who may desire to appear and be heard.

THE ORDERS have been made by North Somerset Council under the above-mentioned Acts and submitted to the Secretary of State for Transport for confirmation. They are:

(1) THE NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL (BANWELL BYPASS AND SOUTHERN LINK CLASSIFIED ROAD) (SIDE ROADS) ORDER 2022. This is an Order under Sections 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980.

(2) THE NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL (BANWELL BYPASS AND SOUTHERN LINK) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2022. This is an Order under Sections 239, 240, 246, 248, 249, 250 and 260 of the Highways Act 1980.

(3) THE NORTH SOMERSET COUNCIL (BANWELL BYPASS AND SOUTHERN LINK) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER (NO.2) 2023. This is an Order under Sections 239, 240, 246, 248, 249, 250 and 260 of the Highways Act 1980.

THE ORDERS relate to proposals for a bypass of the village of Banwell (known as the 'Banwell Bypass'), a route connecting the A371 at Castle Hill and the A368 at East Street (known as the 'Southern Link') and mitigation and enhancement measures.

COPIES of the Orders and of the plans referred to therein have been deposited and may be seen free of charge at:

- Weston-super-Mare Library, North Somerset Council, Town Hall, Walliscote Grove Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1UJ: Monday to Friday 9.30am-6pm and Saturday 9.30am-4pm;
- Campus Library, Highlands Lane, Weston-super-Mare BS24 7DX: Monday to Friday 9.30am-8pm, Saturday 9.30am-5pm and Sunday - 10am-5pm;

- Banwell Parish Council Office, Banwell Youth & Community Centre, West Street, Banwell, North Somerset BS29 6BD: Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-12noon; and
- can also be viewed online at <http://banwellbypasscpo.co.uk>.

COPIES of any proofs of evidence, sent to or by the promoting authority, will also be available for inspection at Weston-super-Mare Library, Campus Library and Banwell Parish Council Office and on the webpage for the Inquiries at <https://gateleyhamer-pi.com/en-gb/banwell-bypass/> from 20 June 2023.

PROCEEDINGS on the above-mentioned Orders are being taken concurrently by virtue of Section 257 of the Highways Act 1980.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT hereby directs that any person who intends to submit at the Inquiries that any highway or proposed highway to which the Orders, or any of them, relate should follow an alternative route, or that, instead of improving, diverting or altering a highway to which the Orders, or any of them, relate, a new highway should be constructed on a particular route, shall send to him at Department for Transport, National Transport Casework Team, Tyneside House, Skinnerburn Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7AR or nationalcasework@dft.gov.uk, not later than **20 June 2023**, sufficient information about the alternative route or the route of the new highway, as the case may be, to enable it to be identified. Failure to comply with this direction will entitle the Secretary of State and the person holding the Inquiries to disregard so much of any objection as consists of such a submission.



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